

# EMBROIDERED FRONT FOR BABY'S DRESS



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BOTTOM PANEL

**P**RACTICALLY all embroidery used on infants' dress apparel is of the most fragile sort, particularly eyelet. Openwork gives a touch of delicacy which no amount of fine tracery stitches will impart to a fine fabric. For this reason the pattern given today is an especially good one. It has the adaptability to eyelet. A part or all may be used, as it is easily eliminated when all parts are not desired.

Embroider the pattern before cutting out the dress. Use the regulation embroidery needle having the long eye, and a single thread. Do not place knots in the thread. All stems should be worked in outline and the neck outline in buttonhole stitches. Have a bar of dry soap to place back of the goods to puncture round eyelets. Where there is an irregular leaf or petal, it is best to cut an X-shaped incision in them to preserve the shape of the true outlines, otherwise all long petals will resemble the round petals.

The pattern could be produced in part eyelet and satin stitch, the latter to delineate the leaves, but heavy embroidery is not a dainty touch for the infant's dress, and simplicity should be the object in every effort. Use finest batiste or nainsook for the garments.

## To Transfer This Design.

**P**UT a cake of soap (laundry will do) in a pint of hot water, stir vigorously and remove the soap. Saturate this design with the soap and water mixture, then remove the excess moisture by partially drying the saturated design or by applying a sheet of blotting paper. Place the material or fabric to which the design is to be transferred on a hard, flat surface, and lay the design face down upon the material. Cover with a dry sheet of thick paper or two folds of newspaper, and with the bowl of a tablespoon rub, pressing hard, until the design is entirely transferred, being careful to rub from rather than toward you.

When rubbing you can see if enough pressure is being applied by lifting the corner of the design, to note how well it is taking. Do not wet the material nor rub the face of the design with damp fingers. To remove the design lines after the article is completed, wash in warm water with soap. The entire process is very simple, and with a little care you can easily make perfect transfers to any kind of goods.

Something New for the Needleworker. This Beautiful Design Can Be Transferred by the New Process Without Using Old, Tedious Tracing-Paper Method

# In the Realm of Higher Things

## Today Is Mothers' Day.

Date Will Be Observed in Practically All of City's Churches—Many Pastors to Preach Special Sermons—Commissioner Rudolph, Head of District Branch of Movement, Receives Many Letters Praising Work.

**A**LTHOUGH the institution had its inception less than four years ago, Mothers' day will be celebrated in the District of Columbia today on as big a scale as though it were an occasion, hallowed by years of observance, which, it is declared, is the principal testimonial that this custom has found a lasting place in the hearts of Americans.

In practically all the churches of the city Mothers' day services will be conducted. Communications received by District Commissioner Rudolph, head of the District branch of the Mothers' day movement, from Washington clergymen and heads of citizens' associations indicate that the observance will be general. The following are some of the communications received:

"The First Church has observed Mothers' day annually from its inception. We will do so this year," says Rev. Dr. Donald Campbell MacLeod, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church.

Rev. E. De L. McDonnell, S. J., St. Aloysius Catholic Church: "I would be pleased to have you report to Miss Jarvis my great sympathy with her in her endeavors. Anything, any movement, to bring before our people the sublime dignity of the mother, her sacred calling and her inviolable service to our nation, should be encouraged by all true lovers of our land."

Rev. Herbert Scott Smith, St. Margaret's Episcopal Church: "I shall surely observe Mothers' day in my church."

Rev. J. J. Muir, Temple Baptist Church: "We hope to pay tribute to mother's love and devotion in our services."

Rev. Ernest Smith, St. Thomas' Episcopal Church: "I am, of course, in sympathy with such a movement. I thank you for calling my attention to it."

Rev. Samuel H. Greene, Calvary Baptist Church: "It is our intention to recognize Mothers' day and to commend it among our people."

Rev. A. D. Sutherland, director religious work, Y. M. C. A.: "The Young Men's Christian Association and the Young Women's Christian Association are uniting in a joint observance of Mothers' day in the assembly hall of the Young Men's Christian Association. We have arranged a high-class program of music and two short addresses."

Mr. Albion K. Parris, president of the Georgetown Citizens' Association: "I have arranged with our own church for a program, and have spoken to representatives of our other churches in our neighborhood, and have no doubt the subject will receive the attention of all."

I will do all I can to have Georgetown talk of Mother on May 12. I appreciate the favor of your allowing me to be of service to the mother-love which goes so far to interpret the lesson of Christ on love."

Mr. L. H. Patterson, president Northeastern Suburban Citizens' Association: "The ministers of churches in this vicinity have been requested to preach appropriate sermons on Mothers' day, and an effort will be made, through members of the association, to get the citizens generally to attend, decorated with the floral emblem—the emblem of purity—white rose, carnation or flowers."

Mr. Charles L. Mendel, secretary Rhode Island Avenue Suburban Citizens' Association: "We will exert our influence in having May 12 appropriately observed as Mothers' day. This is something that appeals to all of us, and knowing our pastors as I do, I can promise they will present to their congregation a sermon such as is desired in honor of mother."

Mr. R. Harrison Johnson, president, South Washington Citizens' Association: "I believe I can safely say that the observance of the day will be pretty general in this section."

Mr. B. T. Woodward, president, Randle Highlands Citizens' Association: "I am in hearty sympathy with the movement to observe Mothers' day in the District of Columbia, which will surely be a great success as a result of your efforts. I feel that I can assure you that the citizens of this section will make a special feature in the observance of this day, which will undoubtedly ennoble the characters of every son and daughter."

Mr. C. C. Lancaster, president, Citizens' North West Suburban Association: "I shall personally endeavor to have your suggestions favorably acted upon, as the spirit which vivifies this maternal sentiment should influence all good citizens. I am confident it will receive the cordial approval of our people in the northwest suburbs."

"We heartily approve the suggestion and so far as practicable will cordially co-operate in carrying it into effect. The founder of the Mothers' day movement is Miss Anna Jarvis of Philadelphia. Each person who can obtain one will be expected to wear a white flower in memory of their mother. The manner of observing

Mothers' day is left to every one's own heart in the instructions: "Live this day as your mother would have you live it." Don't try to be "an earthy saint," but just the "big boy" or "girl" your mother believes you are.

If possible, have your mother and father as your guests of honor this Mothers' day, or go home and visit in a way which will make this a day of pleasure to them.

If you can not do this, through letter, message or gift, stamp the day with kindness. If this is "a memorial day" to you, reverence it as such in your own best way—it is not for any one to tell you how.

## A Mother's Love— The Love That Counts.

IT is fitting that on the Sunday to be observed as Mothers' day the Sunday school lesson should be on "The law of love." For the love of the mother is the best possible human illustration of the love that suffereth long and is kind, and the love that thinketh no evil, the love that is patient and sympathetic and self-sacrificing. One may say that it is impracticable to keep such commandments as these spoken by Christ to His disciples:

"But I say unto you which hear, love your enemies, do good to them which hate you, bless them that curse you, pray for them which despitefully use you. And unto him that smiteth thee on the one cheek, offer also the other; and him that taketh away thy cloak, forbid not to take thy coat also. Give to every man that asketh of thee; and of him that taketh away thy goods, ask them not again. And as ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise."

But when the objector thinks of his mother, he is silenced, and he longs for the spirit of Christ that

he may love those about him according to the divine teachings.

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The Love of a Mother.

An English writer has paid this tribute to the mother-love which goes so far to interpret the lesson of Christ on love:

"Yesterday afternoon, as the sun went down, I sat beside the bedside watching the wan face of a wife and mother who had prematurely worn out her life in toil for her husband and children, and was even then most absorbed in certain tender parting charges concerning them when she should no longer be able to care for them."

"She would not be there," said the stalwart but deeply grieved husband, "but for slaving and slaving for us." This was an instance of glorious self-sacrifice. In the annals of womanhood there are many such. And whatever we may think about its justice or expediency, there is something in us which endears to us the person who has obeyed the sacred law, and our pulse beats quicker at a thing which puts fresh honor upon our community."

And Robert J. Burdette, in the Sunday School Times, wrote this message that must go straight to the heart of every reader:

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A Picture of Mother.

I have known many women who have brought the picture of the Christ into my thought as I noted their daily work. Smiling over the humblest service. That's mother. Cheerfully doing the things of which the rest of us have said: "You catch me!" That's mother. After the long, long day's work—five or six or seven hours over union time—girding herself and kneeling to wash the feet of guests that were unworthy to cross the threshold of her sweet home. That's



## A Morning Prayer.

Dear Master, teach me how to love even as Thou hast taught me how to pray. I cannot really pray as I would unless I truly love Thee and Thy children. Pour Thy love, therefore, into my heart that it may rule all my nature and all my life by its pure and divine power. Make me loving, O Christ, in all my life and work. Save me from selfishness and coldness and blindness and fear of pain, and hide me in the unceasing sunlight of Thine own nature, which is divine, unfailling, tender, beautiful love. Amen and Amen.

mother. Sinking into a chair, weary and faint, only to rise from it with the unfailling smile on her dear, tired face, to wait on some man who has worked eight hours that day; or to mend a jacket or catcher's mitt for a boy who has played all day; or to sew on a bit of lace or adjust a ribbon or change something about a gown for a girl who has had such a good time all day that she can't stop, but must go out for a better time in the evening. That's mother. Staying at home, that the others may go out and enjoy themselves. That's mother. Sacrificing this hope, that comfort and that rest for people who forget to say "Thank you." That's mother. Laying off her wraps and staying home from prayer

meeting or church because somebody else danced herself or played herself into a headache. That's mother. Getting accustomed to the rest of the family saying, as they get ready for the evening's entertainment: "Oh, no, mother doesn't care to go. Church and prayer meeting are mother's only dissipations." Well, those are about all some families allow her. They don't cost anything, and the rest of the family don't want to go.

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A Contrasting Picture.

For a contrast, read this picture drawn from life in an American home, as given in a Chicago paper:

A young Swedish woman whose

deftness, attentiveness and good training give her continual employment in wealthy homes relates that she was working in a big city house, when a letter brought her totally unexpected news of her mother's death at the old home.

Bursting into tears, the girl fled upstairs to her room and shut herself in. In a moment or two her mistress wanted her, and went to find her. Opening the door, she demanded:

"What are you crying for?" "My mother's dead in Sweden, ma'am; I just got the letter," replied the young woman between sobs.

The mistress of the house regarded the maid coldly for a moment, and then said:

"Well, you had better get down to your work; crying up here won't bring her back."

And that was all. The slightest word of sympathy at that moment would have made the Swedish girl that woman's slave. As it is, the woman will always be remembered in the girl's heart with an aversion which only her simple Christianity can modify.

## Christian Endeavor Notes

Luther Place Memorial Lutheran Society at its May business meeting chose as officers to serve from July 1, Mr. R. G. Hale, president; Miss R. M. Bright and Mr. Stacy Myers, vice presidents; Mr. R. M. Weaver, treasurer; Miss Dorothy Graham, recording secretary; Miss Evelyn Johnson, corresponding secretary; Miss Jessie Shepard, missionary treasurer; Miss Mary Koogee, pianist; Miss Eva Bright, chorister, and Miss Ruth Schlosser, assistant chorister.

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The philanthropic committee of the Mount Pleasant Congregational Christian Endeavor Society entertained a group of seventeen children and the mother of one of the children at a "May walk" last Saturday. The party left the church at noon and spent the afternoon in the woods near the bureau of standards. A bountiful luncheon was served, and the children played games, picked flowers and were given an automobile ride. Seven members of the committee went out with this party. Mr. J. H. Dellinger is chairman of the committee.

## Suggestive Questions

On the Sunday School Lesson by Rev. Dr. T. S. Linscott for the International Press Bible Question Club.

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**V**ERSES 27-28—What benefit is it to us, to the cause of God or to our enemies if we love them? What is implied in loving our enemies? Why is it, or not, natural for us to love our enemies?

If being desirous of loving our enemies and we do not succeed, what means should we adopt to accomplish our desire?

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VERSES 29-30—Granted that it is the duty of all of us to love our enemies, it is also our duty under all circumstances when we have been smitten on one cheek to turn the other also and if one steals our cloak to let him steal our coat also? Give your reasons.

If a man is not willing to turn the other cheek and give up his coat after having his cloak stolen, provided this was the will of God in any given circumstance, what would you say of such a man?

Why is it, or not, essential for a Christian to hold himself in readiness to do anything God may clearly command, no matter how unreasonable it may look to him?

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VERSES 31-34—Wherein ought a Christian to be better than a sinner in his treatment of his fellows? Is it easy or difficult, and why, for a truly good man to literally treat others as he would like to be treated?

When Christian men loan money does Christ mean that they should not be careful to be properly secured, or does he simply mean that there is no more merit in such a transaction than an ordinary signer would be entitled to?

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VERSES 35-36—Which is generally the better way to help those in need—to loan them money without security or to give it to them? What is the reward or profit for loaning money without security to the needy with the sole object of helping them? What is implied in being merciful as God is?

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VERSES 37-38—What does Jesus mean by judge not, condemn not and forgive, and what results follow such actions? If we give liberally of our money that God will cause our fellow men to give with superabundance to us?

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Rom. 12:16—In what spirit should we give, rule and show mercy? What relation have Christian love with right living? To what extent does love make us prefer others to ourselves?